

MR. JOS. MARSDEN

Sound Talk By the Commissioner
of Agriculture.

ANNEXATION SURE IN FEBRUARY

Friends of the Measure—The
Senate—Mining—Royalty and
Coffee in an Interview.

Jos. Marsden returned from the States and Canada by the "Rio," and of course was at the theatre Saturday night and is at home again at the Pacific Club and his office in the Judiciary building. Mr. Marsden has been away three months on a purely pleasure trip and reports that he has had a fine time. Going over he landed at Vancouver in September and found the place topsy-turvy with Klondike excitement. Everyone seemed touched with the gold fever. Scores were leaving and hundreds were preparing to make the start in the spring. The Honolulu man had stung at him all sorts of sure thing prospects for consideration from a few shillings up, but did not care to invest at that time.

It was over the Canadian Pacific that the official journeyed to the Atlantic coast. He says the scenery on this line of railway surpasses all promises and is grand and imposing and novel quite beyond belief. Mr. Marsden visited several eastern centers, but left Washington out this time. He met Minister Hatch on the Coast and knew there was no one at the National capital, Congress being in vacation.

Mr. Marsden feels confident that Annexation will be accomplished by February. He learned that it was the intention of those who will handle the treaty in the Senate to present it at once. (Congress convenes today.) There will be very determined opposition in the upper branch on the part of those who for one reason or another are against Annexation. The tactics of the enemies of the measure or policy will delay a vote for several weeks, but all are agreed that the necessary two-thirds in favor will be on hand when the final roll call is had. Mr. Marsden talked Annexation all along the route. It was his experience and observation that all who had given the question any consideration were in favor of the treaty. Others when informed readily became converts. The commissioner explained that of course it might not be a good idea for the United States to construct islands in the Pacific, but so long as they existed and were practically American they should have the stars and stripes at the masthead.

Prof. Koebele is now in California, and up and down the coast and into the back country gathering insects to devour the army worm that eats young grass and corn here. Prof. Koebele will return to the islands, the latter part of this month. In Denver, Mr. Marsden met W. H. English, formerly of Honolulu. Mr. English is now, with Dr. Walters, interested in a fine gold mining property in Colorado and says the prospects are that all concerned will become immensely wealthy. Here again the Hawaiian official had numerous opportunities to engage in mining ventures. He says in Colorado they talk mines and mining just as the people here do plantation business. At many places, Mr. Marsden was interviewed by newspaper reporters. The following from him appeared in the Denver Times, a daily paper of wide circulation and great influence:

"J. Marsden, commissioner of agriculture of the Hawaiian Islands, is a guest at the Brown Palace hotel with Bruce Cartwright, a prominent business man of Honolulu and the representative of several large insurance companies, on a trip through this country."

"Mr. Marsden is simply traveling for pleasure, but holds one of the most important Government positions in the Islands and has been prominently connected with the annexation movement that has sprung up within the last few years. Both gentlemen are most genial in manner and of pleasing address, and talked most entertainingly of the islands and their Government. Mr. Marsden, from his official position has had a better opportunity than anyone else to judge of the resources of the country and the opportunity for investment it offers."

"The general opinion in Hawaii," said Mr. Marsden, "is that the change of Government was for the better and the feeling for annexation is still very strong, especially among the foreigners. We might have gotten along under the old form of Government if it had been stable, but the feeling of dissatisfaction with the Queen was too great. I met the Princess Kaiulani, the heiress apparent to the throne on my way East. She is on her way to the islands, but I do not know whether she has any hope of restoration or not. She may cherish such a hope, as she is very well liked by the Hawaiian people. She is a most charming girl, refined, well educated and would have made a much better Queen than her aunt, Liliuokalani. The ex-Queen was very arbitrary and tried to carry things with too high a hand. The people of Hawaii have granted her niece a pension, but they will not do this for the Queen on account of the manner in which she has fought annexation with the United States for so long."

"The annexation question is the one that is principally agitating the people of the islands. I was one of the five

commissioners who went to negotiate the annexation treaty five years ago which President Cleveland withdrew. We thought then that we were sure of success, but were disappointed. However, there is every prospect that it will go through this fall, as Senator Morgan and other Americans have been there and have come back all the more favorably disposed toward annexation."

"Our islands can easily support 500,000 people, and the present population is but 110,000. The islands offer an excellent opportunity for investment to people of small capital and there is plenty of money to be made in the business of raising coffee. The finest coffee in the world is raised in Hawaii, and it is in demand all over the world. The climate is the most healthful known, and offers every inducement to the invalid to come there. The coffee we raise is known as Kona coffee, and we can't raise enough of it to supply the demand. It is as good as the finest Mocha, and the product

JOS. MARSDEN.
(Photo by Williams).

is increasing every year. The entire product is bought up at once, and sold to consumers.

"Last year 200 tons of coffee were shipped and next year the product will be doubled. The principal industry of the islands is, of course, raising sugar, but the coffee lands are entirely separate from the sugar lands. The Government offers a good inducement to settlers to come and take up land. The Government does not give land away, but sells it for from \$8 to \$10 an acre and gives 20 years' time to pay for it. The amount which any one man can get is limited, so that speculators cannot get hold of it, and so it only goes to actual settlers who intend to do some work on it. The idea is to keep the land in the hands of those only who intend to work it, so that enterprise may not be paralyzed. Twenty acres of coffee land carefully cultivated will in five years yield a man an income of from \$2,500 to \$4,000 a year, and a man with a capital of from \$5,000 to \$8,000 can easily get along. This amount is enough to take up fifty acres of land, and sometimes a man can get along with less money. He can do this if he has not a family. While he is waiting for his coffee trees to mature he must raise, of course, all he needs on his own land. Coffee needs careful attention to successfully raise

WRAY TAYLOR.
(Photo by Williams).

it, but after the first five years it yields an annual crop. If a man has children they could be of great assistance to him in cultivating the coffee."

"All kinds of vegetables and fruit can be raised on coffee land, and also all kinds of berries, oranges, limes, lemons, corn, etc. Labor in the Hawaiian Islands consists principally of Chinese, Japanese and Portuguese, and the average wages is \$15 a month. The labor is, of course, not as good as white labor, but nevertheless it answers the purpose. Education for children is compulsory, and they are obliged to go to school by law. Schools are established as fast as a district grows up. A man can practically live off his own land, as everything is raised there except beef and tea. There would be a good opportunity for fruit raising in the islands, if there were only a market where such products could be disposed of. If the seaboard on the Pacific coast were only populated as the Atlantic coast is we could successfully compete with Mexico and California in fruit raising. We only raise enough to supply ourselves, but we could supply fifty times as many people as we have now if necessary. In Hawaii no one need pay a cent for food hardly, as he can raise all he can consume. The climate is not as it is in the United States, where, six months in the year, you cannot raise anything. The thermometer never goes above 85 and the climate is tropical, and the same all the year round. In the windward islands, where a great many of the coffee plantations are, Europeans thrive. The climate of Hawaii is especially good for pulmonary troubles, and people who are brought there in such shape that they cannot walk recover and become well and strong, al-

though they cannot, of course, leave the islands. The islands are constantly swept by breezes from the Pacific ocean, called the trade winds."

"The people there are different from most people in warm climates, being of an energetic nature. Our athletes take many prizes in the colleges in the United States. The sea bathing is most delightful, and if the people on the Pacific coast only knew that a place with such advantages was only within a seven days' ride they would come over there more frequently. Robert Louis Stevenson used to come up to Honolulu to recuperate, and I was well acquainted with him."

"Mr. Marsden said that Honolulu was the prettiest city in the new world, and said that in all his travels through the principal countries of the far east he had seen none that compared with it."

IS A MODEL TOWN

New Plan for a Tenement
House Business.Thirty-eight Cottages All Occupied.
Artesian Water—Affords a
Study in Sociology.

Mr. Frank Hustace, the well known kamaaina and business man, is not a student of any branch of the sociological problem, so far as he knows or will say. But he owns more tenement houses than any other citizen of Hawaii and gets along very nicely with all his people. They pay their rent promptly. Of complaint there is scarcely any. The occupants of the cottages seem to feel that they have homes of their own. At least they take an uncommon interest in the houses and the grounds.

The rental property which has excited a good deal of interest and comment for nearly a year past, is located on South street and Hustace avenue, the latter thoroughfare leading to Cyclo-mere park. At one time the land belonged to Frank Hustace and Mr. Robertson. The latter sold out to the former. Mr. Hustace was several times, more particularly within a few months, offered a handsome price for his holding, but refuses to part with it.

There are at present 38 cottages, all of which are occupied. "If we get an annexation," said Mr. Hustace yesterday, "I will build 10 more cottages on South street. They will be of a high class, better than several of the principal ones I own already." This is quite an annexation straw in its way.

This Mr. Hustace is of the transfer company of Hustace & Company. The stables and yards of the company are on the estate at South and the avenue. One of the controlling ideas at the time the cottages were built, was that they would be rented by employees of the company, who would like to be near their work. Of course some of the men have permanent homes in town. These were not expected to move. It was a surprise to Mr. Hustace that when the first dozen of houses were ready for use, not more than three or four of the company's men cared to take them. The owner then instructed his agent that applicants should have preference in the order of their appearance. In a very few days all of the houses were taken. Then some of the workmen had changed their minds. Eleven more houses were built, and after that 15 more. All are occupied. The community is not entirely settled yet, but the indications are that a model village is being established. The sanitation is of the very best. Each cottage has a bath room and outhouses. The lots are not large, but they are being improved by the tenants. The rents are low and are collected without any trouble at all. Mr. Hustace says he has read of Pullman and other remarkable towns owned by one man. He has no desire to experiment, he says, but is simply engaged in a plain business undertaking. He has gone about the enterprise in a systematic and careful manner and will introduce new features as they seem to be required by conditions. All water for the place is from an artesian well and every house has its pipe and every yard its tap. The gardening instinct is strong, down that neighborhood, and little plots have been laid out and are receiving attention.

Some of the students around town and of course any number of the business men are watching closely this new tenement district, because there is no other like it. They believe Mr. Hustace will be satisfied, but are free with comment of varied character. Some think the houses are too good, the rent too cheap, the water too expensive. Water is free to all. The new little village is getting to be one of the sights of the town.

FUNERAL HELD.
Remains of Charles Thierbach
Placed in Nuanu.

The funeral of Chas. Thierbach, the unfortunate young photographer who committed suicide on Thursday, took place yesterday morning from H. H. Williams' undertaking parlors, on Fort street. A number of friends followed the body to Nuanu cemetery where

vault space was secured by a few intimate friends of the deceased. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. D. P. Birnie, pastor of Central Union Church. The pall-bearers were Frank Davey, William Lowrie, E. P. Sullivan, P. F. Ryan, William McLain and Al. Moore.

Deputy Marshal Hitchcock held a coroner's inquest in the afternoon and nothing further than what has already been published was developed. The jury returned a verdict "that the deceased came to his death by poison taken with suicidal intent while dependent and sick." The only witnesses were Dr. N. B. Emerson and Mr. Ryan.

FOR KAIULANI

Princess Was Serenaded By the
National Band.

There was a concert, reception and dancing party at Alahau, Waikiki, last evening. A large number of city people were entertained by the Princess Kaiulani. The National band rendered the following serenade program:

PART I.
March—Kaiulani.....J. S. Libornio
Overture—Little Gem.....J. J. Masten
Waltz—Silver Brooklet.....T. V. Short
Polka—Carrie.....F. H. Losey
Cornet solo by S. K. Kamakala.
Songs.....Hawaiian Airs

PART II.
Fantasia—Italia.....J. J. Masten
Duet—Baritone and Cornet, by J. K. K. Kamakala.
Redowa—Primrose.....J. J. Masten
March—Cook of the Walk.....J. J. Masten
March—Old Glory.....J. J. Masten
March—Genesta.....J. J. Masten
Hawaii Pono.

LADY TO INSPECT

Mrs. Thompson Will Be
a Sanitary Officer.To Represent the Kindergarten
Association—Reports and Resig-
nations—New Salaries.

The ladies who conduct the Free Kindergarten Association had yesterday forenoon a business meeting, in which were handled by quick method, many affairs of moment.

There was cordial greeting for the President, Mrs. Hyde, who has just returned from Japan and who brought pleasing news of the progress of kindergartens in that country. At one place she met Mrs. Imanishi, formerly Miss Ozawa of local kindergartens.

Satisfactory reports were received from all the committees and officers. One renewal pledge of \$300 for the ensuing year was received.

There was a talk over Thanksgiving jubilees by the little ones. The Chinese kindergarten entertain Miss Stetson's mission school; the Japanese the Hawaiians; Palama, Moanalua; Portuguese the Free Foreign Kindergarten. Many of the parents were present and were much struck with the conduct of the youngsters. The kindergarten attendance is increasing everywhere, excepting in the Hawaiian and Palama departments.

Following are resignations and successions: Mrs. R. P. Myers, building and grounds committee—Mrs. E. Wells Peterson; Mrs. Frear, publication committee—Miss Caroline Snow; Mrs. T. R. Walker, vice president—Mrs. W. G. Irwin. Each resignation was accepted with regret.

A new salary schedule was adopted. It gives an increase in pay to teachers who have been in the service more than two years.

Mrs. J. B. Atherton will soon return from the States to again look after Ewa kindergarten, which has been doing very nicely. The Ewa tots had a children's party Thanksgiving and the little ones did their own cooking.

The Free Kindergarten Association now has a sanitary inspector. Mrs. U. Thompson, the trained nurse at Kamehameha has the position and up to date has done excellent work with a fine showing of results. Money has been voted for expenses and two mornings each week Mrs. Thompson will visit each kindergarten and will look after the children who complain of their vaccination wounds and minor troubles. It is believed that this work will have a good effect with the fathers and mothers of the children. At Palama a bath is to be provided and there Mrs. Thompson will address the mothers on household hygiene, home sanitation, care of children and food and clothing.

HOW TO PREVENT PNEUMONIA.

At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some la grippe, we have never yet learned reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction—Olagah, Ind. Tex. Chief.

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The recent "hard times" have made people cut off expenses.

This has encouraged the invasion of "cheap" baking powder—baking powder which sells for a small price, but which either does not do the work, or is bad for the insides, or both.

Honest baking powder cannot be made to sell for 25 or 30c. a pound. There are a few honest baking powders at higher prices. Of these *Schilling's Best* is the right one, partly because it goes farthest.

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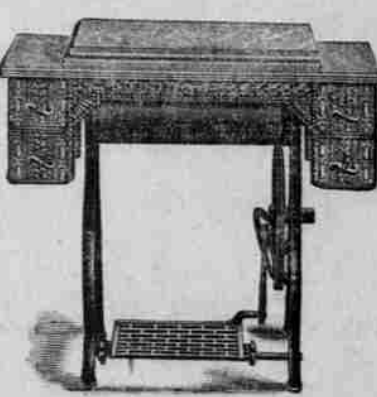
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